Enduring ME activity



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Designed for physicians, pharmacists, nurses, psychologists, case managers, physician assistants, social workers and counselors

Functional Outcomes for Our Mentally III Patients

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Learning Objectives:

At the end of this educational activity, participants should be able to:

- 1. Review the impact of symptomatology, cognition, side effects and treatment adherence on functional outcomes in people with mental illness
- 2. Discuss the concept of recovery and remission as a treatment goal in mentally ill patients
- 3. Discuss strategies to optimize functional outcomes by treating behavioral symptoms, minimizing side effects, providing psychosocial support and improving cognition

Statement of Need:

Treatment outcomes for people with severe mental illness have traditionally been poor. In the past, the primary treatment goal was to decrease symptoms. Newer approaches to treatment aim not only to reduce symptomatology and decrease relapses, but also to improve vocational and social outcomes. This broader view of treatment embraces overall mental and physical well-being rather than simply the absence of

illness. Recovery and remission have become an increasingly prominent paradigm for the treatment of mental illness. In working toward these goals, a range of interventions must be incorporated into long-term treatment strategies, including not only pharmacologic interventions, but also psychosocial therapies as well. Newer treatment planning increasingly focuses on functional outcomes by providing treatment and recovery-oriented services to people with schizophrenia. Likewise, focusing on patient satisfaction, improving tolerability by limiting side effects (e.g., weight gain, sexual dysfunction, sedation) and maximizing cognitive functioning are all important aspects of treating in the framework of recovery and improving functional outcomes. This educational program will review the impact of symptomatology, cognition, side effects and treatment adherence on functional outcomes in people with mental illness, discuss the concept of recovery and remission as a treatment goal in mentally ill patients, and discuss strategies to optimize functional outcomes by treating behavioral symptoms, minimizing side effects, providing psychosocial support and improving cognition.

Accreditation Statements/Credit Designation:

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Application has been made with the Commission for Case Manager Certification for 1.0 clock hour.

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